BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 96-249-C - ORDER NO. 97-961

NOVEMBER 7, 1997

VMR

IN RE: Request of BellSouth Public Communications, Inc. for Waiver of COCOT Guidelines.

) ORDER) GRANTING

REQUEST

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request filed by BellSouth Public Communications for waiver of our payphone guidelines to allow for the blocking of incoming calls at the pay telephone located at Prettl Electric Corp., 1721 White Horse Road, Greenville, South Carolina. The purpose of the request is to seek the safety and security of employees and patrons at the business location. The request has been co-signed by a law enforcement official.

We have examined this matter, and hold that the request for waiver should be granted, since good cause was shown. Incoming calls may therefore be blocked on the pay telephone in question.

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This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman

ATTEST:

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Executive Director

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